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LIST OF CURRENT CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) In a [[A]] device for locking the steering shaft (1) of a motor vehicle against rotation by means of a locking bolt (2) which cooperates with locking recesses (3) of the steering shaft (1) and which can be displaced back and forth between a locking position and a release position with the aid of a control member that can be rotated back and forth by an electric motor (13) and which cooperates with a rotary position detector (17), the improvement wherein characterized in that the control member is formed as comprises a circular control disk rotatable about an axis of rotation and (14) which is arranged to cooperate cooperates on a first one side (15) with the locking bolt (2) and on the other a second side (16) with the rotary position detector (17).
2. (Currently Amended) The improvement device according to claim 1, wherein characterized in that the control disk (14) is provided with includes circumferential teeth arranged to engage (18) for the engagement of a worm or pinion (19), driven by the electric motor (13), or of a pinion, driven by the electric motor (13).
3. (Currently Amended) The improvement device according to claim 1, wherein or 2, characterized in that the locking bolt is displaceable (2) can be displaced back and forth radially relative to the axis of rotation (21) of the control disk (14).
4. (Currently Amended) The device improvement according to claim 2, wherein the locking bolt is displaceable back and forth radially relative to the axis of rotation of the control disk, and further wherein 3 in combination with claim 2, characterized in that the electric motor (13) is located next to the locking bolt (2), and the worm (19) or pinion that engages the circumferential teeth (18) of the control disk (14) is secured to the an output shaft (26) of the electric motor (13), which shaft extends parallel to the locking bolt (2).

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5. (Currently Amended) The improvement device according to claim 3 or 4, wherein the first side of the control disk is adjacent to the locking bolt, and characterized in that the control disk (14), on the first side thereof (15) adjacent to the locking bolt (2), has a spiral groove (24) or a spiral rib, which cooperates with the locking bolt (2) and winds around the axis of rotation (21) of the control disk (14).

6. (Currently Amended) The improvement device according to claim 1, wherein the second side of the control disk is adjacent to the rotary position detector, and one of the foregoing claims, characterized in that the control disk (14), on the second side (16) thereof adjacent to the rotary position detector (17), has a spiral rib (29) or a spiral groove[,,] which cooperates with the rotary position detector (17) and winds around the axis of rotation (21) of the control disk (14).